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CASTRO FLEES FROM CAPITAL

The Venezuelan Government Transferred From Caracas to Guacaipuro to Avoid Being Captured.

BIG BATTLE IMMINENT

Main Armies of Two Sides Have Met Near Victoria—Overthrow of Administration by Revolutionists Seems Probable.

President Castro of Venezuela and the government which he is struggling to maintain are apparently in danger of an overthrow. News came to the State Department this morning from Herbert W. Bowen, the United States minister at Caracas, which indicates clearly that the revolutionary forces have made such progress that Castro fears that the capital will be captured. To minimize the effect of such a blow he has removed the executive offices to Guacaipuro, a town about twenty miles from Caracas—in other words, has virtually fled to avoid being taken by the enemy.

Mr. Bowen's dispatch was written yesterday. When it was sent he had received news that Castro's main force and the main force of the revolutionists had come into touch near Victoria and a big battle was expected. The dispatch follows:

"Caracas, Oct. 13.—The minister for foreign affairs informs me that the executive branch of the government has been transferred from here to Guacaipuro, about twenty miles from Caracas. The main armies have met near Victoria this morning and an important engagement seems to be imminent."

SUICIDE FOLLOWS JACKSON CITY FIRE

George W. Myers Cuts His Throat With Razor.

DESPONDENCY THE CAUSE

Lost His Saloon With the Gambling Resort and Has Had Other Business Reverses Since.

Despondent because of business reverses, George W. Myers, fifty years of age, one of the best-known sporting men in Washington, shortly after 5 o'clock this morning slashed his throat with a razor in a room at his home, 1349 Kenyon Street northwest, and died before medical attention could be secured. Coroner Nevitt has issued a certificate of death by suicide.

Myers for many years had been a prominent figure in the ranks of local sporting men, and was extremely popular. Big-hearted and kind to all, he made numerous friends, all of whom were shocked to hear of his untimely ending. For some years Myers was the proprietor of a saloon at Jackson City. On the evening of the night that Jackson City was burned his place of business was also swept away. One of his closest friends, John Nelson, was arraigned for the burning, and Myers was present at his trial.

Several weeks ago he met with other reverses and worried considerably. This continued up to the hour of his death. Last night he came home early and retired. About 5 o'clock this morning he awoke and asked his wife to get him some clean clothing. She left the room to do so, and when she returned was horrified to find her husband lying on the floor, near the bed, in a pool of blood, his throat gashed from ear to ear. He was then breathing his last.

As quickly as possible the frightened woman sent a messenger to the Tenth precinct police station and Policemen Gibson, Hollidge, and Hackett were soon on the scene. They at once sent for Dr. J. A. Carrico, 3218 Fourteenth Street northwest, who pronounced Myers dead. The razor with which he ended his life was found lying beside him.

The remains have been turned over to a local undertaker to be prepared for burial.

MISS CROTHWAIT FOUND DEAD IN BED

Miss Eliza Crothwait, forty years of age, employed as a clerk in the Post-office Department, was found dead in bed shortly after 8 o'clock this morning in the Cutler House, 222 Third Street northwest.

Miss Crothwait had been in ill-health of late, and when she failed to come downstairs to breakfast this morning the proprietor of the house became alarmed and went to her room. The door was locked and, receiving no answer to his summons, broke in the door. Miss Crothwait was lying in the bed dead.

Coroner Nevitt was at once notified, and after hearing the facts in the case issued a certificate of death from heart disease. The remains were turned over to friends to be buried in the cemetery of William Lee on Pennsylvania Avenue northwest to be prepared for burial. Miss Crothwait was a native of Nashville, Tenn., and her relatives have been notified.

HOPE OF SETTLEMENT SENDS STOCKS SOARING

Advances of One to Three Points Common.

LONDON MARKET IS ACTIVE

Trading Was Done on a Large Scale and Was Well Diversified—Railroad Securities Jump.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Advances ranging from 1 to 2 points were common in the Stock Market when business opened this morning. Trading was on a large scale and well diversified.

It is hardly necessary to say that the main stimulus in the rapid advances in prices was this morning's news respecting the latest course followed in terminating the protracted strike of the coal miners. The same intelligence was responsible for advances in American stocks in London which averaged the early 1 point and when business opened here foreign houses bought quite actively.

Some of the more extensive gains in the early dealings were in St. Louis and Southwestern, Missouri Pacific, Atchison, Delaware and Hudson and Reading. For the time being, the prospects for a settlement of the strike overshadowed the monetary situation and all other subjects engaging attention.

As was to be expected, however, the initial advances in prices were sufficiently extensive to invite heavy profit realizing sales under which the market quickly but only partially receded from its high opening level.

The market sold off generally materially from its opening high prices, but developed renewed strength, with the course of the morning, when it became evident that money would not lend at excessive rates today.

HENRY L. WILSON MADE MINISTER TO GREECE

Leaves Chile to Succeed Charles S. Francis.

MANY DIPLOMATIC CHANGES

John B. Jackson, First Secretary of Embassy at Berlin, Promoted to Be Minister to Chile.

The State Department today announced several important appointments and promotions made by the President in the United States Diplomatic Service. They follow:

Henry L. Wilson, of Washington State, now minister to Chile, as minister to Greece in place of Mr. Charles S. Francis, of Troy, N. Y., who has resigned.

John B. Jackson, now first secretary of embassy at Berlin, promoted to be minister to Chile in place of Mr. Wilson.

H. Percival Dodge, now second secretary of embassy at Berlin, promoted to first secretary in place of Mr. Jackson.

R. S. Reynolds Hitt, of Rhode Island, now third secretary of embassy at Paris, promoted to second secretary at Berlin in place of Mr. Dodge.

Peter Augustus Jay, of Rhode Island, appointed third secretary at Paris in place of Mr. Hitt.

NORTHERN SECURITIES IN THE SUPREME COURT

Extension of Time Allowed the Railway.

The Supreme Court of the United States today in the case of the State of Washington against the Northern Securities, the Northern Pacific Railroad, and the Great Northern Railway Company, granted the request of the former Attorney General, John Griggs, counsel for the Securities Company, for thirty days' extension in which to file the answer of the defendants to the bill of complaint entered in the court at the last session.

This will place the case on the docket in regular order, but upon motion it may be advanced for a special hearing, its importance indicating that this course will be taken by the State of Washington.

There was an unusually large attendance at the opening of the court today. Among the prominent lawyers present besides former Attorney General Griggs were former Attorney General W. H. Miller of Indiana; Thomas B. Reed of New York; Solicitor General Richards and Assistant Attorney General Beck.

Before the court opened there was a formal exchange of greetings between former Attorneys General Griggs and Miller, ex-Speaker Reed and the law officers of the Government, Assistant Attorney General Beck and Solicitor General Richards.

SARATOGA SPRING OWNER DEAD

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., Oct. 14.—Alex. A. Patterson, of the Patterson Spring, died here this morning. He was seventy-five years old and was formerly an architect, contractor, and builder.

STRIKE LEADERS CONSIDERING OPERATORS' PROPOSAL TO ARBITRATE THEIR DIFFERENCES

What Was Proposed by President Mitchell And What the Mine Operators Propose

MITCHELL'S OFFER, OCTOBER 13.

"Confident of our ability to demonstrate to any impartial tribunal the equity of our demands for higher wages and improved environments, we propose that the issues culminating in this strike, shall be referred to you and a tribunal of your own selection, and agree to accept your award upon all or any of the questions involved."

OPERATORS' OFFER, OCTOBER 13.

"We suggest a commission be appointed by the President of the United States, to whom shall be referred all questions at issue between the respective companies and their own employees, WHETHER THEY BELONG TO A UNION OR NOT, and the decision of that commission shall be accepted by us."

MEN WHO MAY ACT AS STRIKE ARBITRATORS

Names That Have Been Suggested for Commission.

ARMY OR NAVAL ENGINEER

Admiral Melville and General Gillespie Mentioned to Head List—Carroll D. Wright for the "Sociologist."

The probable personnel of the commission suggested by the coal operators to arbitrate the coal strike is engaging everyone's attention today. There is no hint from the White House as to who the President has in mind for these important positions, but he is certain to select men whose prominence and fair-mindedness will make them acceptable to both sides and be a guarantee of the absolute impartiality in deciding the questions at issue.

The president of the commission, if the operators' plan is carried out, is to be a military or naval engineer. Two names are suggested from which to make this selection. They are Rear Admiral Melville, who for many years has been at the head of the Engineer Corps of the Navy, and is one of the most eminent officers in that branch of the service. He would probably be particularly acceptable to the miners because he was himself at the outset of his career a day laborer in one of the navy yards, and is a practical machinist. Admiral Melville is, however, in feeble health, having only just got out of the hospital, where he has been treated for malarial fever.

The Engineer Officer.

The other selection is Brigadier General Gillespie, chief of the Engineer Corps. He is a practical engineer, and would make an admirable working member of the commission. In the army Engineer Corps there are also such men as Colonel Ernst and Colonel Hains, or Brigadier General Wilson, retired, from among whom the choice may be made.

The second member of the commission is to be an expert mining engineer, and here the field for selection is wide. Among the names of those suggested are those of Frank Klepetko, who is in charge of the Amalgamated copper mines, and Prof. Charles Treadwell, an expert in gold and copper mining.

There are four judges of the United States courts in the eastern district of Pennsylvania from whom the President may choose the third arbitrator. They are Marcus W. Acheson, George M. Dallas, George Gray, circuit judges, and John B. McPherson, district judge. Of these it is probable that Judge Gray, ex-Senator from Delaware and a Democrat, is the most feasible choice, because by reason of his location he would be less likely to have preconceived notions to conform or overturn.

Carroll D. Wright.

For the fourth member of the commission, "a man of prominence, eminent as a sociologist," the names of Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor; Jacob Riis, of New York, who has devoted his life to the study of sociological problems, is a friend of the President and has done much for the amelioration of the condition of the poor of New York, and Henry George, Jr., son of the famous single tax advocate, are most prominently mentioned.

It is believed that the operators in suggesting that the fifth member of the board be a man "who, by active participation in mining and selling coal, is familiar with the physical and commercial features of the business," had in mind the appointment of one of their own men. But the description might as well apply to a number of men in the anthracite coal business who have graduated from the ranks of the miners to that of coal merchant, or who have retired from active operation of mines.

President Roosevelt has already been supplied with a large list of names from which he can make selections. Commissioner of Labor Wright, Commissioner of Immigration Sargent and others have furnished this list and he will undoubtedly receive more from other sources. As soon as President Mitchell of the Mine Workers' Union indicates his acceptance of the proposed arbitration letters will be sent to the men first selected by the President asking them to serve. It will probably be a week or more before the full personnel of the commission can be announced.

THE GREAT COAL STRIKE REVIEWED AT A GLANCE

Strike ordered by President Mitchell	May 15
Number of employees ordered out	147,000
Number of women and children affected	390,000
Collieries affected	357
Money invested in the properties affected	\$511,500,000
Strikers demanded (1) eight-hour day with same pay as for ten-hour day; (2) miners to get 5 per cent advance in contract price; (3) miners' ton to be 2,240 pounds, with one of their representatives to check the weights; (4) minimum scale for laborers, similar to that in bituminous fields.	
Average pay of miners, \$3.50 a day; laborers, \$1.70; slate boys, door boys, etc., 72 cents.	
First militia ordered out	Aug. 14
Entire State Guard ordered out	Oct. 6
Computed loss from all causes	\$140,000,000

SAYS PROPOSITION IS NOW UNEQUIVOCAL

Views Advanced by President Truesdale.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The general opinion here this morning is that the proposition of the coal presidents made last night will speedily end the strike.

President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, was early at his office this morning, and submitted gracefully to interviews.

He was told that in some quarters the proposition of the operators was considered a recession from the stand they have taken right along, and asked if he considered it so. He replied:

"I do not consider it in that light at all. The attitude is in strict adherence to the stand Mr. Baer took in the conference at Washington, when he suggested that the coal strike situation be placed before the courts of Pennsylvania for solution."

Asked as to the character of the proposal, Mr. Truesdale replied:

"I consider the proposition unequivocal. We reserve no right to question any appointment made on the commission by the President, if he appoints a commission. I do not know whether the President will confer with President Mitchell on this subject at all."

TICKET BROKER CASE DECISION NOT BROAD

Said to Apply Only to G. A. R. Encampment.

The decision of Justice Hagner, in what is known as the "ticket scalpers' case," is not very far-reaching in its effect. It applies only to non-transferable tickets sold to visitors who came to Washington during the Grand Army encampment.

Many of the excursionists who came to Washington sold the return coupons of their tickets to local ticket brokers. The Pennsylvania, Chesapeake and Ohio, the Southern, and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Companies, over which the excursionists came to Washington, contended that the ticket brokers had no right to traffic in the return coupons and applied to the Supreme Court of the District for an order to restrain them from doing so. The ground on which the injunction was asked is that the tickets issued for the accommodation of visitors to the encampment were made "non-transferable" because of the greatly reduced rates at which they were sold. The court, after hearing argument on the subject, issued the restraining order asked for by the railroad companies.

It is understood, however, that the order issued by Justice Hagner applies only to tickets issued by the railroads for the Grand Army encampment. To stop the ticket brokers dealing in a similar kind of ticket issued by the railroads on any other occasion new proceedings will have to be instituted in each particular instance.

A. O. DAYTON SUCCUMBS.

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 14.—A. O. Dayton, superintendent of the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad Company, who was stricken with paralysis last week, died at his home, 201 Cooper Street, this morning.

STRIKING MINERS ARE JUBILANT OVER NEWS

Think Operators Will Stand by Decision of Board.

TAMAQUA, Pa., Oct. 14.—The news that the coal operators had agreed to stand by a decision of a board of arbitration was received with keen satisfaction here. When the miners heard the news they looked at one another in wonder, scarcely believing that the struggle that has waged so fiercely was to be brought to an end. There was little outward demonstration.

The business people and the general public, who have patiently suffered through the struggle, were a different look this morning, and the hope of speedy settlement has worked like magic and is plainly shown on their beaming countenances.

The question of recognition of the union does not appear to be any great issue in this valley. Many of the miners take the broad view of it and feel that if an increase in wages is granted, with shortened hours, that virtually recognizes the union.

News from President Mitchell is awaited by the men.

LIBRARY DEDICATION FIXED FOR DECEMBER

Meeting of Carnegie Commission Plans Exercises

A meeting of the commission in charge of the building of the Carnegie Library was held at the District building yesterday to consider matters relative to the dedication of the building. Those present were Commissioner Macfarland, chairman; Theodore Noyes, chairman of the board of trustees of the library; Commissioner Biddle, Col. Theodore Bingham, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, and Bernard Green, superintendent of construction.

According to Mr. Green's report, the work of construction is nearly complete. Mr. Noyes stated that Mr. Carnegie, whom it is desired to have present at the dedication, would arrive in New York from England on November 20, and in consideration of this fact Mr. Noyes moved to have the exercises between the 1st and 15th of December. The motion was carried. As was further determined, a committee of six persons will be appointed to have sole charge of the dedication.

The schedule of estimates for the maintenance and care of the library for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, which Mr. Noyes, president of the board of trustees of the library submitted to the Commissioners of the District, includes the addition of such help as will be necessary in the new building, and an item of \$55,000 for new books.

FUNERAL OF GEORGE H. COOPER.

The funeral of George H. Cooper, sr., aged sixty-two years, who died last Sunday, took place at his late residence, 1132 Fifth Street northwest, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. He was buried under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Royal Arcanum. Interment was made at Arlington.

Mitchell and District Presidents Confer as to Plan of Procedure—No Settlement Can Be Made Without Delegate Convention—Four Days Necessary.

The Miners' District Officials Declare That Their Leader Will Insist Upon a Direct Proposition, Such as He Submitted to President Roosevelt.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 14.—President Mitchell, late this afternoon, when asked if he and the district officers had power to accept the operators' proposition, said:

"Speaking without special reference to the statement issued by the coal operators, it is a rule of our organization that no settlement can be made by the officers of the union without the consent of a delegate convention."

It will take about four days to call a convention together.

MITCHELL MUST SPEAK FOR HIMSELF.

Strike leaders who were seen this morning and asked their opinion of the statement issued by the operators, declined to be quoted, saying that President Mitchell was the man to speak about it, after he has been officially notified and has had a conference with the district presidents.

Several of them believe that, in the form it now is, the strikers will not be inclined to accept it, as it takes the naming of the commission much out of the hands of President Roosevelt.

ONLY BY A DIRECT PROPOSITION.

They declare that President Mitchell will probably insist upon a direct proposition, such as he made to President Roosevelt when the conference occurred at the White House, that the President name the board of arbitration and the miners return to work, the finding of the board to be operative from the day that work is resumed.

INSIST UPON A BUSINESS MAN.

This does not provide how many members shall constitute the board or what class they shall be. The strikers point to the fact that on the board, proposed by the operators, there is not a business man, and state that with the questions at issue a conservative business man should certainly be a member of the board.

They do not approve of the clause stating that the finding of the board shall be operative from a date fixed by the board. They want it to be operative from the day the men return to work.

HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY MESSAGE.

A score of questions about the time the district presidents would arrive, whether a convention would be held, if he expects a message from President Roosevelt, if he would remain in the city, were asked, but to only one did he give direct answer:

"I do not know that President Roosevelt has a message for me," he said.

President Mitchell, it is understood, considers that if any proposition for arbitration comes it shall come from the operators to him.

OFFER MORE LIBERAL, BUT THE SAME.

A prominent operator this morning said: "The statement is about what the operators proposed to the President before. They offered to arbitrate the differences of the men, which could not be settled at the mines, by submitting them to the local judges."

"This offer is rather more liberal but to all intents the same. The union will not accept it, that is certain. It will merely be a means of encouraging the strikers again for a time and will end in nothing."

WRIGHT AND SARGENT TALK WITH PRESIDENT

Neither Believes Proposed Personnel of Committee Will Be Satisfactory to Mitchell.

Frank P. Sargent, former grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, was called into consultation with the President this morning. Commissioner Wright expressed the same opinion regarding the good result likely to follow the proposition of the operators, and although he declined to discuss the rules prescribed by the operators to define the eligibility of appointees, it was evident that Mr. Wright believed this matter would be made the subject of negotiations. These views, although privately expressed, may be accepted as representing those of the President.

No word has been received at the White House as to when John Mitchell will arrive here.

It is expected that the uncompleted schedule referred to in the proposition of the operators will be given out by the coal presidents in New York and not in Washington.

"I have heard nothing from Mr. Mitchell. If the conditions regarding the personnel of the commission do not meet his views I presume that he will suggest changes, and that through negotiations the matter will be compromised."

YOUNG WASHINGTONIAN DROWNED OFF ANNAPOLIS

Robert Linton and George A. Matthews Went Down in a Squall—The Former Did Not Come Up.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Oct. 14.—Word was received here this morning that Robert Linton, a young man from Washington, D. C., was drowned yesterday afternoon off Tolley's Point in Chesapeake Bay. Linton, with George A. Matthews, also of Washington, was sailing from Annapolis to Arundel-on-the-Bay in a small sail boat. The boat capsized in a heavy wind.

Linton was drowned, but Matthews clung to the boat and was picked up early this morning off Hackett's Point, several miles distant, by Captain Connelly of the schooner Luddington of Baltimore and brought to Annapolis. Linton's body has not been recovered, day from Patopillas, Mexico, that the remains of the late Alexander R. Shepherd, formerly Governor of the District of Columbia, will be brought to this city later for final interment.

Following are the subscriptions received today for the memorial fund:

Total previously reported.....\$5,818

B. T. Janney.....5

S. W. Curriden.....10

W. B. Bryan.....5

Victor Kauffmann.....20

W. R. Curtis.....10

J. Aubrey Wilson.....25